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SUBJECT: U.S./CANADIAN BILATERAL -- CERTAIN TEXTILE AND

- MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS
- 1. SUMMARY. U.S. MTN DEL (HAMERSCHLAG AND MALISH) MET WITH CANADIAN MTN DEL (GORE, DENIS) TO DISCUSS RESPECTIVE OFFERS ON TEXTILES AND A FEW MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS. IN RESPONSE TO OUR REQUESTS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THEIR TARIFF OFFER THE CANADIANS EXPRESSED A WILLINGNESS "TO TAKE A LOOK" AT OUR REQUESTS, BUT THEY APPARENTLY HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS THAT WOULD PERMIT A SPECIFIC RESPONSE. END SUMMARY.
- 2. AS PART OF OUR EXAMINATION OF EACH OTHERS TARIFF OFFERS, U.S. DEL WENT THROUGH ITEMS OF SPECIAL U.S. INTEREST OF A LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TEXTILE, OR NEAR TEXTILE, NATURE. WE NOTED IN PARTICULAR OUR INTEREST IN CANADIAN TARIFF ITEMS 23600, SURGICAL BANDAGES, ETC, 56315 CORE RESERVOIRS FOR FELT TIP PENS, AND 57402 COATED FABRICS, SUGGESTING FORMULA APPLICATION, A BINDING AT FREE, AND A 9 PERCENT AD VALOREM RATE, RESPECTIVELY. GORE INDICATED OUR INTERESTS WERE OF A "MANAGEABLE NUMBER" AND THAT GOC WOULD TAKE A LOOK. WHEN

WE MENTIONED THAT OUR RESPECTIVE TARIFF OFFERS WOULD CREATE A DISPARITY ON TEXTILE FABRICS FOR USE IN PNEUMATIC TIRES, GORE INDICATED IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO MATCH RATES.

- 3. FOR THEIR PART, THE CANADIANS INDICATED A STRONG INTEREST IN DOING AWAY WITH THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN "ORNAMENTED" AND "NOT ORNAMENTED" APPAREL. THEY WERE LITTLE IMPRESSED WITH OUR OBSERVATION THAT THIS DISTINCTION HAS BEEN CAREFULLY EXAMINED IN NUMEROUS COURT DECISIONS.
- 4. IN MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS WE EXPRESSED OUR INTEREST IN CANADIAN TARIFF ITEMS 51100 GOLF CLUBS, AND OTHER SPORTS EQUIPMENT, WHERE WE SUGGESTED 8 PERCENT; 51104 FINISHED GRIPS (BIND AT FREE); 51110 SKIS (8 PERCENT); 51200 PICTURE FRAMES (FORMULA CUT); 51400 CASKETS AND COFFINS (FORMULA); 51805 BILLIARD EQUIPMENT (8 PERCENT); 51901 WOOD FURNITURE (8 PERCENT); 51902 METAL FURNITURE (7 PERCENT); 59707 ELECTRIC ORGANS (7 PERCENT), AND 59725 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS (ESPECIALLY GUITARS). CANADIANS GAVE NO SEPARATE RESPONSES, BUT INDICATED MORE SPECIFICITY ON OUR PART (51100, 59725) WOULD BE HELPFUL.
- 5. CANADIANS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN U.S. DUTY ELIMINATION IN TSUS 734.93, ICE SKATES, AND A 4 PERCENT RATE FOR 735.20 PUZZLES, GAMES, ETC. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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